PLASMA-DEPOSITED COATINGS, DEVICES AND METHODS

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Coatings, devices and methods are provided, wherein the contacting surface of a medical device with at least one contacting surface for contacting a bodily fluid or tissue is modified by plasma treatment in a plasma including nitrogen-containing molecules and oxygen-containing molecules and by application of a biologically compatible coating, preferably by plasma treatment in a plasma including polymerized hydrocyclosiloxane monomers. The nitrogen-containing molecules include NH₃, (NH₄)⁺, N₂O, NO, NO₂ and N₂O₄, and the oxygen-containing molecules include O₂ and O₃. The plasma-modified contacting surface exhibits decreased adhesion of at least some mammalian cells, such as platelets and

leukocytes, decreased restenosis when used with stents, and increased apoptosis. Additional layers

may be applied, including amine-providing groups such as N-trimethylsilyl-allylamine, polyoxyalkylene

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tethers, and bioactive compounds.